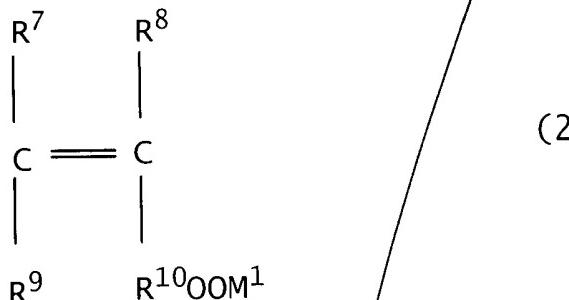


wherein R¹, R² and R³ are each independently hydrogen or methyl, provided that not all are methyl; R⁴ is -CH₂O-, -(CH₂)₂O-, -C(CH₃)₂O- or -O-; the total carbon number of R¹, R², R³ and R⁴ is 3; R⁵O is one or more species of C₂-C₄ oxyalkylene groups, and, in the case of two or more species, may be block or random; R⁶ is hydrogen or a C₁-C₂₂ alkyl, phenyl or C₁-C₁₈ alkylphenyl group; p is an integer from on average 1 to 100,

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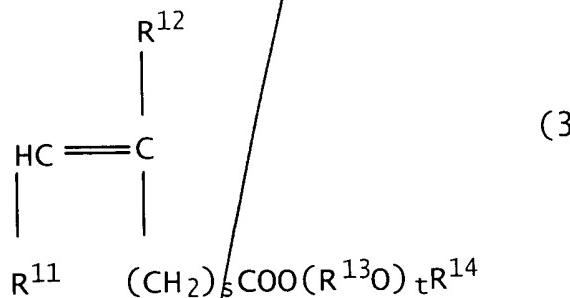
the monomer (B) is a compound according to general formula (2):



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wherein R⁷ and R⁸ are each independently hydrogen or methyl; R⁹ is hydrogen, methyl or -(CH₂)_qCOOM²; R¹⁰ is -(CH₂)_r;- q and r are each independently an integer from 0 to 2; M¹ and M² are a monovalent metal, a divalent metal, ammonium or an organic amine;

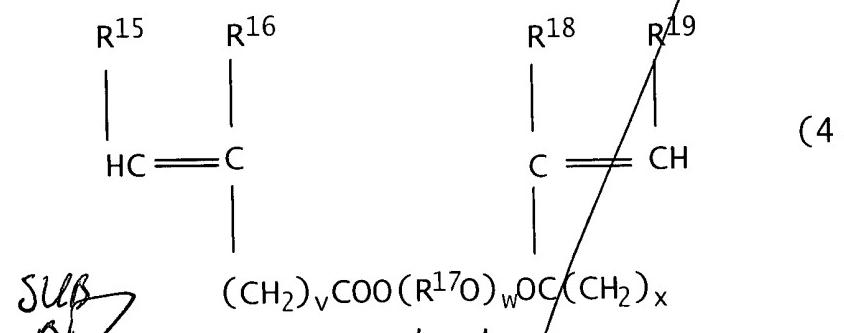
the monomer (C) is a compound according to general formula (3):



wherein R¹¹ and R¹² are each independently hydrogen, methyl or (CH₂)_uCOOM³, u is an integer from 0 to 2, M³ is a monovalent metal, a divalent metal, ammonium or an organic amine; R¹³O is

112 one or more species of C₂-C₄ oxyalkylene groups, and, in the case of two or more species, may be block or random; R¹⁴ is a C₁-C₂₂ hydrogen or an alkyl, phenyl or C₁-C₂₂ alkylphenyl group; s is an integer from 0 to 2; t is an integer an average from 1 to 300; and

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cont.* the monomer (D) is a compound according to the following general formula (4):



wherein R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are each independently hydrogen or methyl, provided that not all are methyl; R¹⁷O is one or more species of C₂-C₄ oxyalkylene groups, and, in the case of two or more species, may be block or random; w is an integer an average from 1 to 300; v and x are each independently an integer from 0 to 2.

4.(Amended) A cement additive according to claim 1 wherein the composition ratios of the monomers (A) and (B) in the polycarboxylic acid type copolymer are 30-100 mole % based on the total mole amount of their monomers, and the average molecular weight of said polycarboxylic acid type copolymer is from 3,000 to 100,000.

5.(Amended) A cement additive according to claim 1, wherein the average molecular weight of the polyalkylene glycol derivative is from 1,000 to 100,000, and in which the alkylene is one or more C₂-C₄ species, and the terminal group of the polyalkylene glycol is hydrogen, a C₁-C₁₈ alkyl group or a phenyl group.

6.(Amended) A cement additive according claim 1, containing 100 weight parts of the

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polycarboxylic acid type copolymer and 10-50 weight parts of the polyalkylene glycol derivative in the mixing proportion.

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7.(Amended) A cement additive according to claim 1 , wherein the amount used in a cementitious composition is such that the amount of polycarboxylic acid type copolymer to cement is 0.05-1.0 % by weight based on the weight of cement, and the amount of the polyalkylene glycol derivative to cement is 0.005-0.5 % by weight based on the weight of cement.

SUB 8.(Amended) A high strength concrete mix, comprising a cement additive according to claim 1.

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9. (Amended) A concrete mix for the production of articles by steam curing, comprising a cement additive according to claim 1.

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Please add new claims 12 - 17.

12. A high strength concrete mix, comprising a cement additive according to claim 2.

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14. A concrete mix for the production of articles by steam curing, comprising a cement additive according to claim 2.

15. A concrete mix for the production of articles by steam curing, comprising a cement additive according to claim 3.

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16. A method of preparation of a high-strength concrete mix, comprising the incorporation in the mix of a cement additive according to claim 2.

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17. A method of preparation of a high-strength concrete mix, comprising the incorporation in the mix of a cement additive according to claim 3.

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